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## Business Notices.

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A LARGE STOCK OF USEFUL PRESENTS.

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Hongkong, November 28, 1895. 2210

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WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:—

PORT.	STEAMSHIP.	DATE.	REMARKS.
SHAI	NSAKI	(Freight or Passage, (passing KOBE & YAMA.) Palawan....About 28th Dec....	{ Through the INLAND SEA).
SHANGHAI	Pescador	About 30th Dec.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Cyrene	About 31st Dec.....	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN	Rosetta	Noon, 2nd Jan.....	See Special advertisement.
LONDON	Verona	Noon, 3rd Jan.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Magog	About 15th Jan.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	Japan	About 24th Jan.....	Freight or Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2403

### FESTIVE SEASON.

### TABLE LINEN. PLAIN DAMASK CLOTHS.

FANCY TEA CLOTHS, NAPKINS to MATCH.

TABLE RUNNERS, TRAY CLOTHS, ETC., ETC.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY,

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AUSTRALIAN PICKLED HOG'S TONGUES.

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GAME, ETC., &c.

SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PRIORITY ATTENTION.

I. TATAM.

Hongkong, December 2, 1895. 2244

### REPORT OF THE ACADEMIE DE MEDECINE OF FRANCE.

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"THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS."

"The results of the recent

investigations in Paris and the

report of the Académie de

Médecine of France have placed

Apollinaris Water at the head of

all the waters examined for purity

and freedom from Disease Germs."

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BOXES OF TOOLS, BOXES OF COLORED BLOCKS.

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Jointings for any work, however great the

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W. JACKSON, Manager.

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### W. POWELL & Co.

GRAND SHOW

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Hongkong, December 7, 1895. 2287

Particulars of the Lot.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1895.

## Entertainments.

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What is this mighty force that overcomes physical strength and baffles the scientific world?

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Further Particulars as to date of Performance, &c., later.

Hongkong, December 18, 1895. 2337

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**THE HONGKONG A MATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB**  
WILL GIVE

TWO PERFORMANCES

OF  
ARTHUR W. FINCH'S Popular Farce  
**'DANDY DICK'**

ON

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TICKETS can be obtained at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, and after Thursday, the 19th December.

Booking Office open each day

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PRICES \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00.

LATE TRAMS 15 Minutes after each Performance.

Hongkong, December 11, 1895. 2339

## Intimations.

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Comprising RINGS, EAR-RINGS,  
BRACELETS, BROOCHES, SCARFS,  
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PRECIOUS STONES.

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LADIES' GOLD WATCHES from \$20.  
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&c., &c., &c.

Also always on hand a SELECTED ASSORTMENT of UMSOUNTED BRILLIANTS.

PRICES MODERATE.

LEVY HERMANOS.

Hongkong, December 10, 1895. 2318

**PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, Connaught House, on SATURDAY, the 26th December, 1895, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Acccounts to September 30th 1895, and for the Election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES B. DUNCAN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 17, 1895. 2376

**THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS called for Noon on SATURDAY, the 14th, is POSTPONED to Noon, on SATURDAY, the 28th Inst.

W. HUTTON POTT,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 11, 1895. 2334

**CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,**  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

In accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with Approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 2nd JANUARY, 1896, ISSUE INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per ANNUUM, PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the Rate of 10 PER CENT. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1895.

The TRADE BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Agents,

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 17, 1895. 2375

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

A NEWSPAPER

will be published very soon,

to be called

**H. J. M. P. H. E. Y. E. S. C. O. O. K.**

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

Hongkong, November 21, 1895. 2308

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour.

John BARTLEY, Amer. Marquettine, Capt.

P. Shepherd—Captain.

## Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Kutseang* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from the Godowns at Point.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 20th Inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 16, 1895. 2337

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

FROM NEWPORT, GLASGOW, MANCHESTER, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kaisou*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 24th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and no Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 o'clock p.m. To DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1895. 2336

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

S.S. GLAMORGANSHIRE, FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

STEAMSHIP SACHSEN.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored in their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1895. 2338

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELOHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2400

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Sachsen*.

Captain H. SUMNER, will leave for the above place

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 21st Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2368

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA).

The Co.'s Steamship *Hohenzollern*.

Captain P. WETTL, will leave for the above Ports

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 21st Inst., at Noon.

Return Tickets will be granted available also for the Return Voyage by the Steamers of the NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2367

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, JINSHI AND NAGASAKI.

The Steamship *Tsushima*.

Captain J. B. MACMILLAN, will be despatched as above at Daylight on SUNDAY, the 22nd Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2307

NOTICE.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA PORTS OF CALL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Mopan*.

Captain H. K. H. Commander, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

For Freight, apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2304

NOTICE.

FOR KOREA AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Lemon*.

Captain WILLIAMSON, M.A., will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 25th instant, at 5 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2300

NOTICE.

FOR SWATOW AND SINGAPORE.

The Steamship *Nerissa*.

Captain

## THE CHINA MAIL.

Tan P. & O. s.s. *Pelorus* left Singapore for this port this morning, at 8 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. *Forness*, from China, arrived in London yesterday afternoon.

The *Empress of India* arrived at Vancouver on the 19th instant.

The only alterations in our Share List today are:—Okinawa Traders, \$74, sales; Hongkong Landa, \$69, sales.

Mr A. B. Rennie, agent for the Palatine Fire Insurance Company, has issued particularly handsome office calendars and blotters for 1896.

Da. Takagi and Dr. Kitazato are about to publish a Japanese monthly magazine specially devoted to bacteriological subjects.

**Vessels in the Docks:**—At Kwangtung: H. I. G. M. S. Irene, Roma Criativa, Hawkwood, Amyot, Okalo, Leekin, Amy Turner, Kong Beng, Leonor.

Compostela—Belgium.

Aberdeen—Triumph.

The Singapore Legislature provides refreshments for its members on days when the Council meets. They can have tea and cake, or milk and soda, or whisky. This is as most legislative bodies do. The Hongkong Council has no refreshments, unless the milk-and-water speeches of some members and the fiery chain-lighting of others can be so considered. The Governor of Hongkong is apparently not acquainted with the Governor of North Carolina.

At the Kowloon Institute last night a concert, with tea and refreshments, was given by the Hongkong Temperance Union to welcome the new draft of the Rifles. The Rev. W. Musson, Wesleyan Chaplain, presided, and a most interesting programme was heartily enjoyed by about 60 of the men. Mrs Hagen contributed two solos. Votes of thanks for the Institute and to the ladies for their songs and help closed the meeting.

The opinion that the Imperial Government is dealing unjustly with the Colony in regard to the Military Contribution is not confined to Hongkong only. In noticing Mr Chamberlain's last despatch, the *Times of Ceylon* remarks:—Mr Chamberlain refused to listen to the prayer for a reduction of the military contribution to be paid by Hongkong—recently fixed at 17 per cent. of the revenue—shows that the Treasury and the Colonial Office between them have made up their minds to screw all they can out of the Crown Colonies, and we think Ceylon is lucky—that is, on the supposition that the 7½ per cent. is all we are to be called on to pay—to have got off so well.

A CAPITAL race was witnessed between three crews from the Hongkong Boat Club on the Kowloon side of the Harbour last night. The three crews were struck by Master, Scott, and Theodore Lamont. All crews shot away together at the start of Mr Stewart Lockhart, Lamont's boat getting, if any, a slight lead; but after a quarter of the distance was gone it was seen that his crew was not in condition for a race. Scott and Master kept side by side till opposite the Naval Yard, where Scott led by a quarter of a length. Master then spurred into first place, leading by a quarter length. Scott made a gallant effort, but Master, responding with another spurt, speedily got a clear length in front. Scott, however, was not beaten off, and again spurred, and got on level terms. Just then the slide of his No. 8 (G. H. Poole) gave way, and the seat pitched overboard, and the race fell to Master's crew, which consisted of Master, Duncan, Gale and Gudge. Several other races are on the top.

The Unofficial Members of Ceylon are evidently awakening up to the illusory nature of the percentage proposals of the Imperial Government with regard to the Military Contributions of the Crown Colonies. They will do well to give the matter very close attention. At a recent meeting of the Legislative Council of that Colony Mr. Walker said: now that they were on the subject of the military, he would wish to know whether the Government were in possession of any despatch, and would give them before the Council, with reference to the Military Contribution on the present basis. They only knew that it had been fixed at three-fifths of the revenue, but he thought it would be very desirable to know the grounds on which that decision had been arrived at, and how far the value of land sold had been deducted from the Revenue in assessing the contribution, and whether that might be considered a permanent or a temporary exemption. There were other questions which might arise, and it was very desirable that the Council should be in possession of all the information Government could afford. The Acting Governor replied that all the information Government had received had been communicated to the Council. All they had received was the bare telegram, which was published in some form at the time. He had no reason to suppose that the exclusion of land was only a temporary one. He believed it was done on some principle which did not deserve to be acknowledged and recognized.

RICHARD'S PIANOS.—The largest in the world—four and ten octaves. Sole Agents, W. Robinson and Co.

A RECENT recently published shows the great influence which the late war had on swelling the receipts from the telegraphic service in Japan. From April 1894 to March 1895, which almost covers the period of the war, the foreign and domestic telegrams forwarded or received numbered 3,369,199, the income derived therefrom being 3,028,124. During the previous financial year the telegrams numbered 6,165,103, the income from which was 1,955,026.12, so that the increase was about 27½ per cent. in the number of telegrams, and about 34 per cent. in the revenue. The foreign cable company continued to a very large extent by the increase in the number of telegrams from this part of the world, but there is no suggestion of any lowering of rates, though, apart altogether from the increase in the number of telegrams sent forward and back, there was a considerable fall in the cost of the rate. It is difficult to say whether the Chinese and Canadian telegrams do not combine and conduct a vicious system against the excessive charges made for telegrams to Europe, which must have the effect of greatly retarding business.—*Koko Chronicle*.

SANJON, Gallars, Mandolins, Autographs, Violins, also Strings and fittings for sale at W. Robinson and Co.

Eastern Russian war-ships are reported in the Japanese papers to be stationed at a place which is given as Shin-ho, a little north of Geomu.

We learn from a Kobe contemporary that the Sasbo docks, to which we referred yesterday, are 135 metres long (445 ft.) and 30 metres wide. The cost of construction has been \$39,315 yen. The docks can be filled with water in one hour and a half, and emptied in five hours and a half.

The following team will play for the Cricket Club to-morrow against the Peak Club:—A. Anderson, G. D. Campbell, H. K. R. F. Maidland, Capt. Dyson, A. P. D., T. S. Smith, Capt. Baker-Carr, R. B. Sir R. K. Arbuthnot, R. N., Rev. G. Wallings, Capt. Grafton, R. N., R. P. Sheldon, E. Ezekiel.

A CORRESPONDENT of a Tsinku paper writes from Yunnan that the French commercial mission is coming at a most inopportune time, for there is a strong feeling just now against foreigners, and, apparently against the French in particular. Closely following the imprisonment of the two French missionaries, Vial and Kircher, reported not long ago, comes an organised attack on the R. P. Léopold, in North Yunnan. The ruler of the country makes for disturbance, since the taxation, always oppressive and extortionate, doubled on account of the expenses of the recent war, while the harvest has been ruined by a long drought followed by too much rain coming all at once. Thus, says the French correspondent, discontent is rife, and would be aimed at the local officials in the ordinary course, if the officials could not divert it. Their plan is the simplest presenting itself—to covertly stimulate anti-French sentiments in order to provide the turbulent masses with a ready safety-valve for their feelings.

This Governor-General of Formosa has published an ordinance limiting the ports at which Chinese may land on the island to four—namely, Kelung, Tamshui, Tako and Aiping. If the Chinese desire to travel in the interior it will be necessary for them to obtain passports from the Japanese Government offices.—*Koko Chronicle*.

ACCORDING to a writer in Macmillan's, who is obviously well acquainted with his subject, our whole cavalry system needs overhauling. There are eleven cavalry regiments which admittedly can only muster 3,000 horses among them, and deducing those unfit for service, it is calculated that each could only muster 250 men and horses in case of war. The sum total would barely exceed the strength of four French regiments. The officer who thus exposes the weakness of our cavalry declares that we could only put into the field a ridiculously small force, heterogeneous and half-trained, the officers unacquainted with their men, and the men ignorant alike of their work, their comrades and their horses. This sounds serious enough.

At a general meeting of the Kobe (Japanese) Chamber of Commerce, held on Monday last, certain proposals having reference to the enlargement of the Customs were discussed at length, and a proposal to send a deputation to Tokyo to present the matter to the Government was adopted. The gentleman chosen was Mr. F. Kanematsu and Mr. Okada. What the nature of the proposals was not stated. The foreign Chamber had a meeting on Friday week, to present a similar object, and it is to be hoped that, in view of the rapidly increasing trade of the port, the joint representations to the Government will result in making the scheme for increasing the Customs accommodation thoroughly efficient and adequate. Anything of a partial nature will prove utterly useless.—*Koko Chronicle*.

CAPTAIN Ehlers, whose death from drowning is reported from New Guinea, was one of the most enterprising of German travellers, having first come to notice in connection with exploration in East Africa. He furnished valuable information regarding Kilimandjaro and examined a good deal of the country which was the scene of Major von Wisamann's expedition. Coming to India he accompanied General Catherwood on the march from Kohima to Manipur, over the hills and mountains through the Shan States to the Mekong, where his arrival created much surprise at the French Consulate. He remained in India late last year with the intention of exploring the districts beyond the North-East frontier of Assam, and reaching the sources of the Irrawaddy, but he was unable to carry out this plan. His adventurous disposition led him to the Further East, and the unexplored interior of New Guinea doubtless fascinated him, as it had done so many travellers before. Captain Ehlers' death will be regretted by many friends he had made in India and Burma.—*Pioneer*.—Those who met Captain Ehlers in this Colony will join most sincerely in the regret expressed above.—En. C. M.]

A RECENT recently published shows the great influence which the late war had on swelling the receipts from the telegraphic service in Japan. From April 1894 to March 1895, which almost covers the period of the war, the foreign and domestic telegrams forwarded or received numbered 3,369,199, the income derived therefrom being 3,028,124. During the previous financial year the telegrams numbered 6,165,103, the income from which was 1,955,026.12, so that the increase was about 27½ per cent. in the number of telegrams, and about 34 per cent. in the revenue. The foreign cable company continued to a very large extent by the increase in the number of telegrams from this part of the world, but there is no suggestion of any lowering of rates, though, apart altogether from the increase in the number of telegrams sent forward and back, there was a considerable fall in the cost of the rate. It is difficult to say whether the Chinese and Canadian telegrams do not combine and conduct a vicious system against the excessive charges made for telegrams to Europe, which must have the effect of greatly retarding business.—*Koko Chronicle*.

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## CHESS.

A very interesting Chess Match took place last evening at the Hongkong Hotel, between seven representatives of the Club Lusitano and seven players from the Hongkong Chess Club. The match resulted in a win for the latter Club by five games to two, but the winning side, although sustaining an unexpected reverse in the defeat of the President by Mr Dos Remedios, undoubtedly had the best of the luck. The Lusitano players lost two or three games by most unfortunate oversights. Indeed it would not be surprising if in a return match, which we hope will be shortly arranged, the result were reversed, and great credit is due to the losing side for the stubborn stand which they made against the powerful team which represented the Chess Club.

We understand that some of the strongest Portuguese exponents of the game are not members of the Club Lusitano, and, if this is so, Portugal should have a good chance in the International contest.

The following is the score:—

CLUB LUSITANO	HONGKONG CLUB
J. M. P. dos Remedios	1. Lt. Col. The Gorman
H. M. R. H. E. Bullock	0
L. F. Carvalho	0 H. S. Cooks
J. M. Gutierrez	0 R. E. Humphreys
M. de Jesus	1 T. Cowen
Total	3

## BOWLING.

CLUB GERMANIA v. H.K. CLUB.

This interesting match was played on Tuesday and Thursday last, and caused considerable excitement. The teams were looked upon as fairly equal, though there was a leaning toward the German; and, the result shows a very keenly-contested game. We believe our German friends concede that the alleys in the Club Germania are not in first-class condition, and the result of the play upon these alleys are believed to have given the match to the Germans. In the alleys of the Hongkong Club, the Hongkong team naturally had the advantage, and the slight advantage gained (after all scores) and misfortunes on both sides are reckoned for the Germans was upon their own ground.

After the first evening's play the H.K. Club four showed a lead in their Club of about 10, but the Germans had secured so substantial a lead at the Germania, that the Britons had 295 to make up. Much excitement was caused by last night's play, as the German four did not succeed in putting on a large score at the Hongkong Club. When the figures were produced, however, it was found that our German friends had won the match by only 24 points. It is easy to point to one or two, or even more, of the British team who might have made a better appearance; but the results should simply stimulate further effort.

Mr Botel appears as the highest scorer, with Mr Engol a very good second.—Mr Hanisch coming in as a fair third. We may mention that the old Shield was won by the Club Germania on the previous occasion, and that this match is the first roll for the new Shield.

The scores were as follow:—

CLUB GERMANIA	
H. Botel	1,458
G. Engol	1,314
P. Skudha	1,265
O. Brodersen (Captain)	1,233
E. Bischoff	1,176
G. Wegener	1,106
O. H. Lamont	1,105
Total	10,106

HONGKONG CLUB	
S. Hanisch (Captain)	1,333
A. M. Thompson	1,314
E. W. M.land	1,270
F. Maithland	1,253
G. Morris	1,231
M. Marshall	1,198
G. B. Hunt	1,121
E. Jones Hughes	1,021
Total	9,021

We append a list of the results of previous matches, which should prove interesting to our readers:—

Match No. 1—(11.11.91).  
Hongkong Club ..... 9,185  
Club Germania ..... 8,723

Hongkong Club won by ..... 463

Match No. 2—(3.1.92).  
Club Germania ..... 10,707  
Hongkong Club ..... 10,315

Club Germania won by ..... 391

Match No. 3—(21.3.92).  
Hongkong Club ..... 11,112  
Club Germania ..... 10,943

Hongkong Club won by ..... 169

Match No. 4—(7.9.93).  
Club Germania ..... 11,178  
Hongkong Club ..... 10,789

Club Germania won by ..... 389

Match No. 5—(2.2.94).  
Club Germania ..... 12,873  
Hongkong Club ..... 12,554

Club Germania won by ..... 349

Match No. 6—(9.11.94).  
Club Germania ..... 12,529  
Hongkong Club ..... 12,446

Club Germania won by ..... 83

Match No. 7—(17.5.95).  
Club Germania ..... 10,041  
Hongkong Club ..... 10,000

Club Germania won by ..... 61

Match No. 8—(3.12.95).  
Club Germania ..... 10,106  
Hongkong Club ..... 10,023

Club Germania won by ..... 84

Match No. 9—(18.12.95).  
Club Germania ..... 10,023  
Hongkong Club ..... 10,000

Club Germania won by ..... 23

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